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Rich Rozzelle Named District Superintendent for California State Parks' Channel Coast District

SACRAMENTO – Rich Rozzelle, presently the Superintendent of the Orange Coast District of California State Parks, has been named the new District Superintendent for State Parks' Channel Coast District. In accepting the new position, Rozzelle said, "I am looking forward to my new assignment and working closely with the community." He said his family has always liked the Channel Coast area and when the present superintendent of the district, Rich Rojas, announced his retirement, he decided to apply for the position.

Rich Rozzelle began his state park career in 1981 as a seasonal lifeguard at Huntington State Beach. In 1987, he became a permanent lifeguard and worked at Huntington State Beach, Bolsa Chica State Beach and Crystal Cove State Park. In 1993, he transferred to the department's Angeles District and worked as an Associate Land Agent until 1999. He returned to the Orange Coast District in 1999 as an Associate Park and Recreation Specialist and was upgraded to a State Park Superintendent II in 2003 and to a State Park Superintendent III in 2005. In 2006 he became the District Superintendent of the department's Orange Coast District. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from California State University at Long Beach.

California State Parks' Channel Coast District includes the following parks and beaches: Carpinteria State Beach, Chumash Painted Cave State Historic Park, La Purisima Mission State Historic Park, Point San State Beach, El Capitan State Beach, El Presidio de Santa Barbara State Historic Park, Gaviota State Park, Refugio State Beach, Emma Wood State Beach, Mandalay State Beach, McGrath State Beach and San Buenaventura State Beach.

The Channel Coast District headquarters is located at 911 San Pedro Street in Ventura.

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